



# CENTRAL VALLEY PROGRESS

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Agenda Item 2: Central Valley Update

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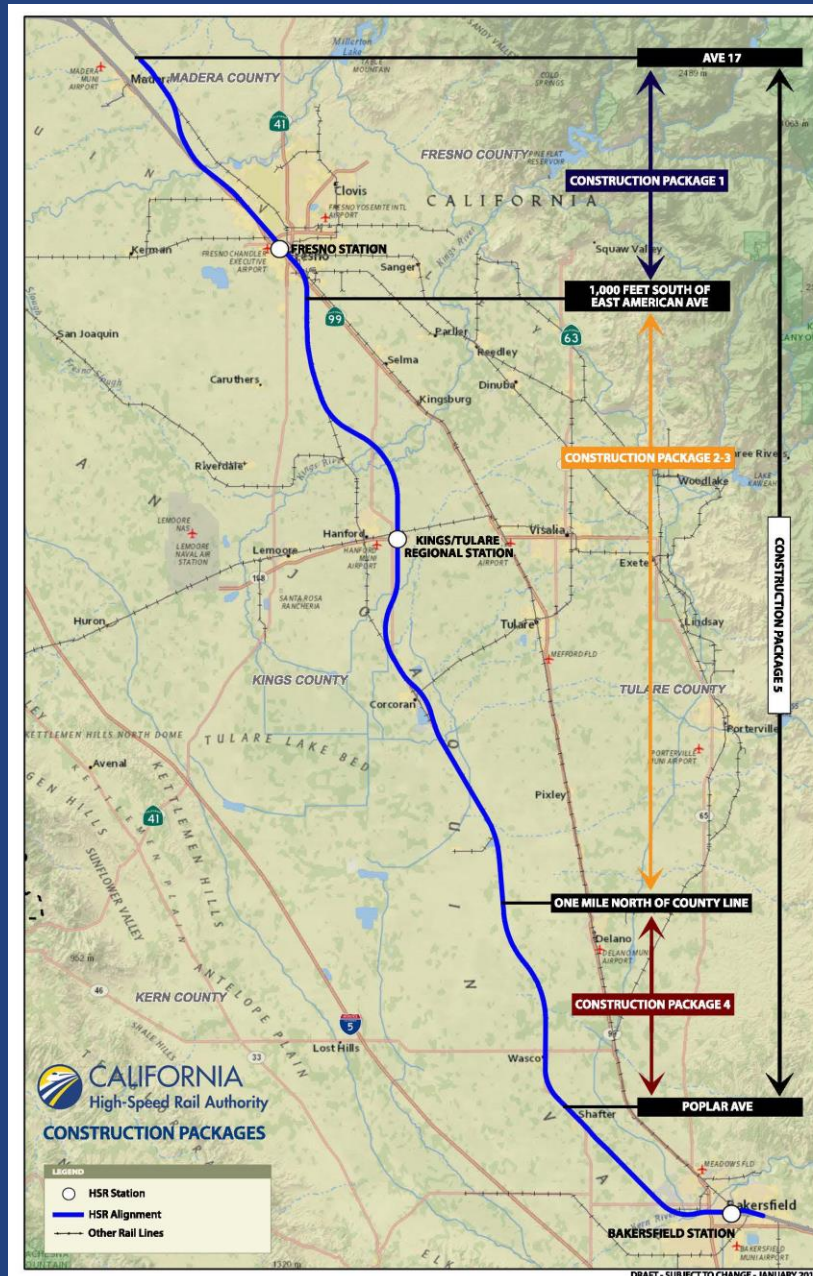


# CENTRAL VALLEY: Backbone Of High-Speed Rail

- Central Valley will Serve as the “**Backbone**” of a System that will Tie Major Regions of California Together
- Fastest **Growing** Region in the State
- Revitalize Central Valley **Downtown Centers**
- Creates **Jobs** in a Region with High Unemployment
- Best, Most **Cost-Efficient** Location for Testing



# CENTRAL VALLEY: Backbone of High-speed Rail



# **MLESTONES:** Momentous Acts in a Short Time

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- **Funding:**
  - » Allocation in Summer 2012
- **Environmental Clearances:**
  - » Merced to Fresno: May 2012
  - » Fresno to Bakersfield: June 2014
- **Construction Packages:**
  - » CP 1: Executed in August 2013
  - » CP 2-3: Executed in June 2015
  - » CP4: Execution Anticipated in Early 2016



# CONSTRUCTION PACKAGE 4

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- **Five Teams Qualified to Bid\***
  - » California Builders
  - » Central Valley Connection Builders
  - » Dragados/Flatiron Joint Venture
  - » Salini Impregilo/Security Paving Joint Venture
  - » Tutor Perini/Zachry/Parsons Joint Venture

\*Listed in Alphabetical Order

# RIGHT OF WAY

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- Over 1500 Parcels Needed in Central Valley
- Follow State and Federal Laws
- Slow Start to Property Acquisition



## **RIGHT OF WAY:** Lessons Learned

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- *“Put us in their shoes”*
- Establish Relationships
- Understand Individual Concerns
- Outline And Communicate Right Of Way Process
- Improve Communication And Protocols
- Increase Local Staff And Resources
- Refine Internal Processes
- Partner With Cities, Counties And EDC



## **RIGHT OF WAY: Fresno County Relocations**

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**84% of Residential Relocations Stayed  
in Fresno County**

Half Transitioned to **Home Ownership** or  
Moved into a **Larger House**

**98% of Business Relocations Stayed  
in Fresno County**

One-Fourth Took Opportunity to **Expand**



# SUCCESSFUL RELOCATIONS

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Family Owned Business  
Founded in **Downtown Fresno**

Relocation Provided Opportunity  
OK Produce Invested in **Expansion**

Resulted in **Increased Business**

Growth in Staff  
**Hired 40** New Employees in Last Few Months

# SUCCESSFUL RELOCATIONS: Fresno County Businesses

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## **SUCCESSFUL RELOCATIONS:** In Their Own Words

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*“You were extremely helpful each step of the way from assisting us with the documents, to finding facilities that met our specs, to obtaining moving bids, the reimbursement process, and everything else! What I most appreciate is your consistent and honest communication throughout the process.”*

**-Rich Ellis, Transtar Industries, Inc.**

## **SUCCESSFUL RELOCATIONS:** In Their Own Words

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*“When we first heard we had to move out of our house we didn’t know what to expect, but when Rosalia told us not to worry and that we will be better off, she was absolutely right. She said that they were going to be helping us with everything and that made us feel a lot better, at ease, and things turned out great...we did not think we would ever be home owners in the United States, but it’s a dream that Rosalia and our realtor Horacio helped us accomplish and come true.”*

**-Abimalec & Vidaura Martinez, Central Valley Farmworkers**

## **SUCCESSFUL RELOCATIONS:** In Their Own Words

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*“This was a huge relief to us as it will save our family farm! All in all, we have nothing but good things to say about your service and involvement with the process...When this train is built, we will be first in line to ride into the history books and we hope you get many chances to do the same. How amazing it is going to be for us to see the bullet train go right by our ranch, and to tell our grandchildren that we were planning for their future!”*

**-Brad & Ellen Johns, Hanford, CA**



# SUCCESSFUL RELOCATIONS: Team Effort

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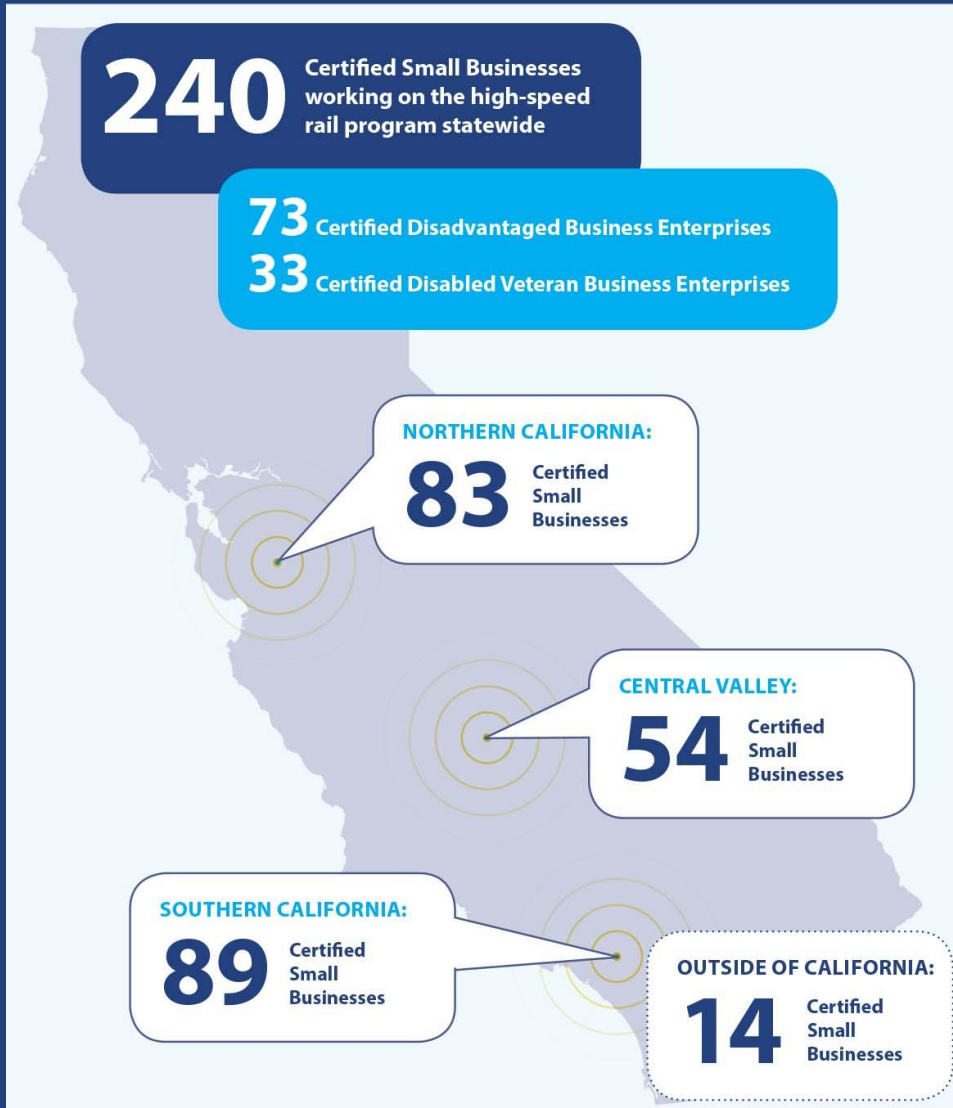
- Authority Right of Way Staff
- Right of Way Contract Staff
  - » Sub Contractors
- Cities/Counties Along the Alignment
- Fresno EDC



# SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

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AS OF JUNE 2015



- **Construction Package 1:**
  - » **60** Small Businesses and Vendors Committed
  - » **\$254 Million** Utilization Commitment

\*Based on 35 contracts



# **CENTRAL VALLEY:** Next Steps

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**Advance Construction**

**Deliver Right of Way**

**Achieve Environmental Clearance**